

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment does not include the introduction of new matter into the present application for invention. Therefore, the Applicant, respectfully, requests that the above amendment be entered in and that the claims to the present application be, kindly, reconsidered.

The Office Action dated May 3, 2004 has been received and considered by the Applicants. Claims 1-5 are pending in the present application for invention. Claims 1-5 stand rejected by the Office Action dated May 3, 2004.

The Abstract of the disclosure as well as page 1, lines 8-17 of the specification have been objected to because of informalities. The foregoing amendment to the specification has corrected these oversights.

The Office Action rejects Claims 1-5 under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,529,485B1 issued to Agarwal et al. (hereinafter referred to as Agarwal et al.).

The Examiner states with respect to Claim 1 that Agarwal et al. teach a transmission system comprising at least a station of a first type and a station of a second type which include a transmitting part having a transmit timing controller for transmitting data at a transmitting timing and a receiving part having a synchronizing circuits for synchronization with data transmitted from another station to provide a receive timing characterized in that the transmit timing is fixed in response to receive timing. The Applicants, respectfully, point out that Agarwal et al. is a TDMA reference and that the present invention relates to CDMA. Accordingly, the foregoing amendment to the claims has amended claim 1 to recites that "the receiving part of the station of the second type has a synchronization circuit that provide chip fractions shifted in time." The Applicants, respectfully, point out that there is no disclosure, or suggestion, within Agarwal et al. for "the receiving part of the station of the second type has a synchronization circuit that provide chip fractions shifted in time." The Applicants respectfully, submit that amended Claim 1 is allowable over the cited reference, Agarwal et al.

Claims 2 and 3 depend from Claim 1 and further narrow and define Claim 1, therefore, Claims 2 and 3 are also believed to be allowable.

Regarding Claim 4, the Examiner states that Agarwal et al. teach a station of the first type suitable for a system comprising at least a station of the first type and a station of the second type

which include a transmitting part having a transmit timing controller for transmitting data at a transmit timing and a receiving part having synchronizing circuits for synchronization with data transmitted from another station to provide a receive timing. The foregoing amendment to the claims has amended Claim 4 to recite that "the receiving part of the station of the second type has a synchronization circuit that provide chip fractions shifted in time". The Applicants, respectfully, submit that Agarwal et al. do not disclose, or suggest, a system as recited by amended Claim 4. Therefore, the Applicants believe that amended Claim 4 is allowable over the cited reference, Agarwal et al.

Regarding Claim 5, the Examiner states that Agarwal et al. teaches a synchronization method suitable for a system comprising at least a station of the first type and a station of the second type which includes a transmitting part having a transmit timing controller for transmitting data at a transmit timing and receiving part having synchronizing circuits for synchronization with data transmitted from another station to provide a receive timing. The foregoing amendment to the claims has amended Claim 4 to recite the step of "providing the receiving part of the station of the second type with a synchronization circuit that generates chip fractions shifted in time". The Applicants, respectfully, submit that Agarwal et al. do not disclose, or suggest, a system as recited by amended Claim 5. Therefore, the Applicants believe that amended Claim 5 is allowable over the cited reference, Agarwal et al.

The Office Action rejects Claims 1-5 relative to 112, second paragraph because the metes and bounds of the claims cannot be assessed. Specifically, the Examiner states that it can not be determined in Claims 1, 4, and 5, what is meant by "another station". The foregoing amendment to the claims has corrected these oversights.

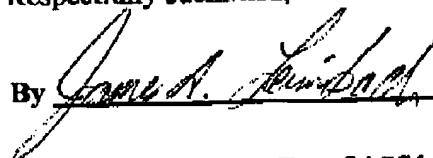
The foregoing amendment to the claims has added Claims 6-19 that further define Claims 1, 4 and 5. Support for Claims 6-19 can be found on page 3 of the specification, beginning at line 12.

Applicant is not aware of any additional patents, publications, or other information not previously submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office which would be required under 37 C.F.R. 1.99.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance, with such allowance being, respectfully, requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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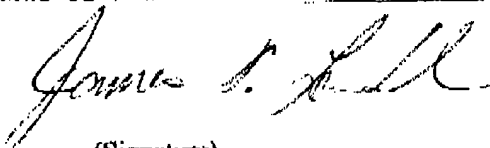


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